

39. Summer St.

Sept 28. 1843.

Dear Caroline & Deborah,

To day with some little labour

I packed off your things. After dinner came Mr Kingsbury with letters from Weymouth. No news save that Mrs & Mr Jones had been at our house again; Aunt Priscilla too seems more ill. Her limbs have been attacked I think. I fear she will be entirely helpless by & bye tho' she may live in that state a long time. Maria called at the Southwick's & found Mr & Mrs Collins were in town. They have come to break up their home in town & move to Skeeneater. I wrote a note to Roger leaving him to pieces for their abuse of Colman's Grace in the Herald. I never saw any thing more intolerant & vulgar. All Gerington's Articles made me perfectly faint. If Garrison does not take the stuff out of his hand I shall drop my dissent for I am ashamed of it. All E. L.'s good articles are neutralized. I omitted to do, to send the Liberty Bell letters. They can come next time.

Friday Evening 29<sup>th</sup> This morning Collins called. He was in a most excellent state of mind & apparently so interested in the Cause that I hardly see how we can make himself willing to settle at Skeeneater. He is looking in delicate health, but professes himself better. He & Maria very soon laid out the plan of 300 Conventions in Mass next winter to go for a dissolution of the Union. While Collins was here Mrs Southwick called; she had nothing special to tell. Collins says that Abby Kelley returned very much the better for her visit to Boston. He heard by letters from Walter Loo that A. R. had gone on to Boston to pull David Child out of the Editorial Chair. Collins spoke as tho' settled in his mind to resign the Agency, which to be sure if he is so far off he had better do. After dinner Emma & I loafed. We went as far as 25. Here I learned from the Emancipator that the Ball Fair is to be held earlier this year than ever before.

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The precise date is not given. I am glad of it for  
then they will be out of our way. I met John at the office  
just returned from Vermont. His father is dead. Also I saw  
Nervette. Cleverge is in great distress at Rome, sick with  
a spine complaint & Everett has written to this country to  
get up a subscription. Colver came again this afternoon &  
took tea, & so Mr De Ronin, the brother of the one who  
was here a while since. He was a well looking young  
man & as far as I could see perfectly white, but Maria  
says he is a quadroon. ~~He could~~ speak English but Maria  
talked in French with him & they got on very well, & I thought  
very well of him. Mary spent the evening here. She met  
Dr Farnworth in the street yesterday. He did not know we  
were in town & as he was just starting to go out of town could  
not call. She also met David Mack at the Southwicks; he  
said Maria was better. The Nestor is in. She had a little  
difficulty of some kind coming up & Josiah Sturgis sent a boat  
& 7 men to her, so Warren has just been indicating him a note  
of thanks. Newey has been to a vendor's supper of Brooks's  
Saturday morning. Herewith I send the Coupon & the  
letters for you to distribute about the Bell. I could have  
written you more but Hildaeth has been here all the  
morning & of course I was prevented. He is not looking as  
handsome as common. He looks well in health however &  
I dare say his beauty will revive; for his only difficulty  
is his forelocks, that look that a West India climate  
gives. He is going to write to you by mail. He behaved  
very well; seemed glad to see us all and was very agreeable  
He is going to stay here if the climate will permit. I do  
not think I ever saw him in a more bright agreeable state.  
Bad as he is, he has "found money" to please us. This is more  
than most folks do. When his letter comes return it to us, as he  
may tell you something that we did not find out. He is  
going to arrive for the Bell and Maria gave him one of  
last year's. Aunt Mary came to day for Emma & brought  
little Henry. She says Aunt Olin much the same. I send the  
letter I had from Aunt M. the other day. All the rest was  
well at Weymouth. Hildaeth goes out to Quincy's this after-  
noon & I send the newspaper you sent to L. by him.

Your letters were very satisfactory. I shall send them  
to Weymouth today. This is a perfect Saturday here  
and I can not see any of the most important things  
in your letter. All the rest I will see to hereafter  
Mama will write to Mr. Eddy by & bye.

Your letters gave great satisfaction. Keep on  
journalizing. In great haste.

Harriet &  
Wm. Lloyd Garrison  
Boston  
with friends &  
close friends  
in various parts

Miss Caroline Weston

New Bedford.

Per West.